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SUBJECT: US-ROMANIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION

REF: A. BUCHAREST 4171; B. BUCHAREST 4328

1. REFTEL A: A.D. LITTLE STUDY ON THE PROSPECTS FOR
EXPANDED US RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS IN HTGR'S
IS NOW EXPECTED TO BE AVAILABLE SOMETIME IN AUGUST. ERDA
WILL KEEP EMBASSY ADVISED AS TO AVAILABILITY.

2. REFTEL A: WITH REGARD TO THE SUPPLY OF HEAVY WATER
STANDARD PURITY SAMPLES, THESE ARE AVAILABLE FROM ERDA.
HOWEVER, SINCE PURITY STANDARDS ARE GENERALLY ONLY
SUPPLIED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SALE OF PRODUCTION
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QUANTITIES OF HEAVY WATER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING

FROM THE ROMANIANS HOW THEY INTEND TO USE THESE SAMPLES,
I.E. IN FURTHERANCE OF WHAT ACTIVITIES.

3. REFTTEL B: REQUEST FOR OLARIU VISIT TO DUPONT PLANT
IN BUFFALO WAS NOT SUBMITTED TO ERDA OR THE NSF. ERDA

WOULD APPRECIATE DETAILS AS TO WHEN AND TO WHOM THE REQUEST
WAS MADE. AS SCIATT IS AWARE, REQUEST FOR URSU PARTY TO
VISIT ERDA'S SAVANNAH RIVER PLANT WAS ACCOMMODATED ON
VERY SHORT NOTICE.

4. REFTTEL B: EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM ROMANIANS THAT THE
USG IS AWARE OF THEIR REQUEST FOR RECIRCULATING COMPRES-
SORS AND EXPORTERS APPLICATION IS UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDER-
ATION.

5. FYI: CONTRARY TO STATEMENT BY OLARIU , COMPRESSORS
FOR USE IN HEAVY WATER FACILITIES ARE NOT REPEAT NOT
ROUTINELY EXPORTED BY US. ACCORDING TO APPLICATION FOR
REQUEST TO EXPORT, THE TWO COMPRESSORS, WHICH ARE
1/5 THE SIZE OF COMPRESSORS USED IN CANADIAN PROCESS AND
COST \$400,000 EACH, ARE DESIGNED FOR HEAVY WATER
APPLICATIONS AND WILL BE USED IN A HEAVY WATER DEMONSTRA-
TION FACILITY. PROPOSED EXPORT WILL REQUIRE USG REVIEW,
A PART 810 DETERMINATION FROM THE ERDA ADMINISTRATOR, AND
A DEPT. OF COMMERCE EXPORT LICENSE. WE MAY ALSO WISH
TO CONSULT WITH OTHER SUPPLIER COUNTRIES ON THIS CASE
IN VIEW OF THE SENSITIVE NATURE OF FACILITY INVOLVED.
END FYI. KISSINGER

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